

THE GREBE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **September 4 -**
MONTHLY MEETING at
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Visitor Center
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(Tree Selection and
Care for your yard)
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LECTURE SERIES
(Avian Treasures at
Deer Flat)
- ◆ **October 13 -**
Star Gazing

If you have a story or photo that you would like to have published in "The Grebe", please contact Denise Hughes, 850-5885 or den_hug@hotmail.com

YARD SALE FUNDRAISER

The Friends of Deer Flat Wildlife Refuge is holding a yard sale on Saturday, September 22, 2007, to raise funds for future projects at the refuge.



If you have anything that you would like to donate to the yard sale, please call Noreen Tripp at 208-249-8162. Noreen can store any donations or you can drop it by her house by September 21st; Noreen's address is 714 S. Bonneville Drive, Nampa.

We need to borrow tables for the sale and we also need a few volunteers to pick up the larger donated items. If you have a pickup truck and can help pick up items, please call Lee McGlinsky at 465-0404. Lee is also looking for volunteers to work 2 hour shifts during the sale.

Wildlife Photo Blind



After months of planning, the photo blind will be completed in the upcoming weeks. Five Deer Flat Friends members met in early August to clean the dead wood and brush from the area where the blind will be built. Once the blind is built, the plan is to hang bird feeders outside the various viewing ports.

We will have a feeder and nest box building workday once the blind has been built. We will update you as to when we will meet to make feeders and nest boxes. Contact Jim Iverson for additional information.



Deer Flat Friends - In Memoriam

It is with great regret that we must acknowledge the passing of two members of our group: Shirley Hogg and Donna Parsons.

Shirley Hogge, one of the original Friends members, died of leukemia in June. Shirley and her husband, Don, lived near Lake Lowell for more than 30 years and she was active in protecting the lake and the refuge from encroaching development even before the Friends of DFWR was formed. Shirley carried petitions, passed out leaflets, wrote letters to the editor and attended P&Z hearings in support of open spaces. After joining the Friends Shirley was a Weed Warrior and a Litter Lifter before she became ill.

We are all going to miss Shirley.

The Friends have lost another original Friends member, Donna Parsons. Donna passed away on August 12th from a second stroke. She was a retired high school science teacher and she staffed many of the different booths we had at local functions. Donna was a great resource of the Action Alert Committee with her knowledge of land use planning over several decades. She served on one of the original Comprehensive Plan Volunteer Citizens Committee. Donna spent her adult life working to better our community and the Friends were fortunate to have her expertise even if it was for only a short time.

We will certainly miss Donna.

A Night of Star Gazing

Plan to join us in October for an evening of star watching. This event will be open to the public.

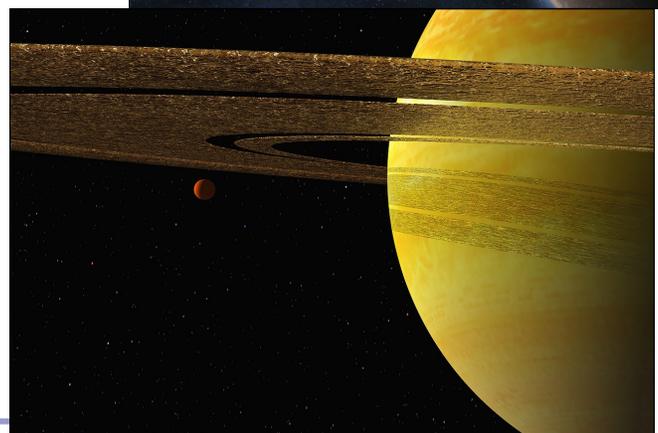
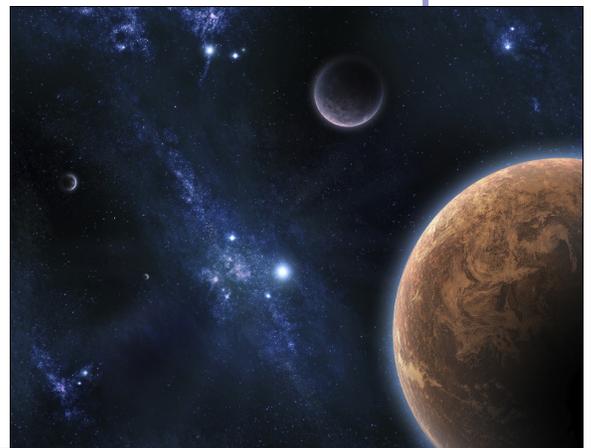
Date: Saturday, October 13 from 5 p.m.-10 p.m.

Tentative Schedule

- ◆ 5-6 p.m. solar observing
- ◆ 6-6:30 break
- ◆ 6:30- 7:30 presentation in the auditorium by Irwin Horowitz from the Idaho Astronomical Society
- ◆ 7:30-9:30 or 10 p.m. Night Show



Bring: Binoculars, Lawn Chairs, Blankets, Warm Clothes, Flashlights with red covering over light
No Smoking





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The Grebe will now be published four times a year — look for the next issue in December

Upcoming Programs

September 4 - General Meeting

Meet at the Visitor Center at 7 p.m.

September 11—Tree Selection and Care for your yard

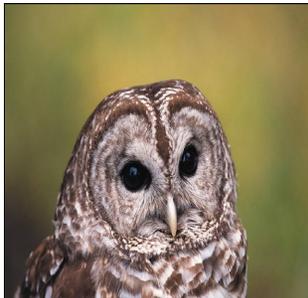
Learn how to select trees for your yard and how to care for them. Trees are an important part of our ecosystem and a great addition to any landscape.

By: Brian Jorgenson, an arborist with the City of Boise



October 2 – Avian Treasures at Deer Flat Refuge

Learn about the elusive songbirds and raptors found in the wooded borders of the refuge. The refuge hosts a rich array of birdlife.



By: Dr. Leon Powers, retired NNU professor.

The Friend's group general meeting will be held right after the program.

November 4 - General Meeting

Meet at the Visitor Center at 7 p.m.

November 11 - Winter Wonderland for Waterfowl

Have you ever wondered what species of waterfowl winter in Idaho. Join us to find out where to find the wintering birds and how citizens can help to monitor them.



By: Colleen Moulton, Idaho Fish and Game biologist.